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(NCVT) should be published and this be updated every year. At the time of admission, advertisement may be given in the local newspapers to warn the students that those seeking admission in unaffiliated ITIs would do so at their own risk and would not be permitted to take the NCVT examination at All India Level.

In addition, the All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE), New Delhi which is set up under the AICTE Act, 1997, has issued regulation for approval of main technical institution, introduction of new courses or programmes and approval of intake capacity of courses or programmes.

The Council has published a directory of Technical institutions approved by the Council.

The Council also gives advertisement in the newspapers from time to time regarding the institutions and programmes at degree and deploma level, approved by the Council for information of the parents and the students.

(c) Does not arise.

Sports Development Fund

2970. SHRI SURESH KALMADI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government propose to set up a Sports Development Fund in order to rejuvenate the sports scenario in the country;
 - (b) if so, the salient features thereof; and
 - (c) the quantum of initial contribution for it?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOP-MENT (SHRI S.R. BOMMAI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) The proposal for creation of sports Development Fund is under active consideration of the Government. The fund is proposed to be set up for mobilising resource from Govt. and various non-Govt. organisations including private sectors and industries. The fund will assist various activities relating to promotion of excellence in sports.

Details are being worked out.

Chandla Committee

2971. SHRI G. VENKAT SWAMY: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have taken any

decision on the Chandla Committee report relating to donation by the public schools in the Capital;

- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MUHI RAM SAIKIA): (a) to (c) The Govt. of NCT of Delhi have informed that they are examining the Chandla Committee report.

Foreign Airlines Operation in India

2972. DR. KRUPASINDHU BHOI : PROF. P.J. KURIEN :

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state :

- (a) the foreign airlines operating in India;
- (b) whether some of those Airlines propose to expand their operation in the country;
- (c) if so, the details of those Airlines and the new routes which are proposed to be connected by Air by them;
- (d) whether Singapore Airline is planning to expand its operation in the country;
- (e) if so, whether bilateral talks has been held or proposed to be held in that regard; and
 - (f) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI JAYANTHI NATARAJAN): (a) 51 foreign airlines are presently operating scheduled services to/from/through India.

- (b) and (c) Expansion of services is left to the Commercial judgement of the individual airlines. However, the Government of India, during the last one year, has granted additional traffic rights to the designated airlines of 23 countries on a reciprocal basis.
- (d) to (f) During the Inter-Governmental talks held in July, 97, India and Singapore have agreed to increase the capacity entitlement by 6 B-747 units by summer 2000 by addition of 2 units each year starting from summer 1998. The additional capacity is linked to a code-share